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To VIKTOR[i] - 5th Department.

[1 group unrecovered] we are sending five films of PEAK's [PIK][ii] materials on the progress of the talks between the COUNTRY [STRANA][iii] and the ISLAND [OSTROV][iv] about DECREE [DEKRET][v] in the second phase of the war. The talks were carried out on the basis of the QUEBEC agreement and were progressing satisfactorily under the chairmanship of NABOB[vi]. At the end of November the talks were unexpectedly terminated. It was supposed that the reason was the influence of HOPKINS operating through the representative of the FAR: [KHUTOR][vii], Oscar COX. However, it was clear that the talks were terminated on the orders of CAPTAIN [KAPITAN][viii] who previously was alleged, favourably disposed on this question. [3 groups unrecovered] [D] in the opinion of CAPTAIN PER's[ix] attempts to create [8 groups unrecovered] and consequent anti-PER policy.

Note by the Office. [6 groups unrecovered].

We confirm receipt of your mail of 18 November 1944.

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Comments: [i] VIKTOR: Lt. General P.M. FITIN.
[ii] PIK: Possibly Virginus Frank COE.
[iii] STRANA: The USA.
[iv] OSTROV: Great Britain.
[v] DEKRET: Lend-Lease.
[vi] NABOB: Henry MORGENTHAU, Jr.
[vii] KHUTOR: the Foreign Economic Administration.
[viii] KAPITAN: Franklin D. ROOSEVELT.
[ix] PER: Winston CHURCHILL.
[x] MAJ: Stepan APRESYAN.

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